MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION UTILITY DIVISION AGENDA NO. 98-1-26

Date Prepared: January 22, 1998

For Work Week Commencing: January 26, 1998

Business Meeting Date & Time: January 26, 1998, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, placed on the state electronic bulletin board, and posted to the PSC's world wide web site at http://www.psc.mt.gov.

<u>Place of Meetings</u> All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

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<u>Work Sessions</u> All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

- Letter to Chairman Fisher from Consumer Education Collaborative Discuss PSC authority over education materials with respect to the
 Collaborative's request that the PSC delegate to staff authority to approve
 IOU education material prior to release (1/27/98)
- 2. Skyland Technologies/USWC Docket D98.1.2 Appointment of arbitrator (1/27/98)
- 3. Payphone Docket D97.2.33 Act on proposed order (1/27/98)
- GFG Docket D97.11.119 Prehearing, as needed, action on motions regarding hearing date (1/27/98)
- 5. INDEGO General discussion, review of Salt Lake meeting, consider filing comments by February 9 (1/27/98)
- Weekly Scheduling Meeting Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP. - Docket N97-12-252 (Vicki)

On December 31, 1997, MCI filed tariff pages revising the structure and usage rates for Option A (Dial One Direct) and Option AA (MCI One Savings); to remove the Lowest Price Guarantee verbiage from the Weekend Savings Plan; to increase and reduce usage and surcharge rates for 1-800-Collect and Operator Service; to extend and change the Intralata Calling Promotion 2; and to introduce the following promotions: Asia Plan Calling Card, Affinity, and MCI One Savings.

2. <u>US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97-12-249</u> (Bonnie)

On December 31, 1997, US WEST filed tariff transmittal 97-AC04, to revise the Carrier Common Line (CCL) bulk-bill factor, to reflect the impact of the 1997 EAS which converted toll traffic to local traffic in several regions throughout the State of Montana.

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

MPC Docket D97.11.212 - NSA granting intervention was served 1/16/98

Universal Service Cost Model Docket D97.9.167 - NSA amending procedural schedule was served 1/22/98

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 98-2-2

New Filings Received in Past Week

D98.1.2	Skyland Technologies/USWC Arbitration
N98.1.3	USWC Market Trial - Centrex 21 Service - Glendive
N98.1.4	PSC Tracking - Universal Access Program; Correspondence
N98.1.5	Project Telephone Co - Revise CLASS Features
N98.1.6	Valley Telecommunications - Revise CLASS Features